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The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

1. Claims 1-4 are again rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-5 of U.S. Patent 7,074,741 in view of any of the patents to Hirota et al. (JP 03-162991), Mori et al. (JP 05-330257), Josa et al. (JP 09-234963) or Simpson et al. (JP 10-157310) for the reasons of record.

Applicants' assertion to the contrary, the motivation to combine separately taught prior art anti-sticking agents (i.e., block copolymer silicone resin and phenoxy resin) resides in the fact that the aforementioned compounds perform the same function. In re Crockett, 126 USPQ 186. It is logical that such a combination would not only produce the same effect but would supplement each other. In re Crockett, supra.

Applicants' argument with respect to priority would be valid only if a terminal disclaimer of the present application had been filed in the later filed patent upon which double patenting is based. See MPEP 1490, V.D. No such terminal disclaimer was filed in U.S. Patent 7,074,741.

2. Claims 1-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over the patent to Yokoyama et al. (JP 10-297123) in view of any of the patents to Hirota et al., Mori et al., Josa et al. or Simpson et al. for the reasons of record.

As noted above, the motivation to combine separately taught prior art anti-sticking agents (i.e., block copolymer silicone resin and phenoxy resin) resides in the fact that the aforementioned compounds perform the same function. In re Crockett, 126 USPQ 186. It is logical that such a combination would not only produce the same effect but would supplement each other. In re Crockett, supra.

Applicants' assertion to the contrary, the results listed in Table 2 fail to establish that unexpected results have been obtained with the claimed combination of block copolymer silicone resin and phenoxy resin anti-sticking agents since the separate materials were not tested alone in the same total amount of anti-sticking agents as employed in representative Example 1.

3. THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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4. /Bruce H Hess/

Primary Examiner, Art Unit 1794 Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Bruce H. Hess whose telephone number is (571)-272-1525. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM.

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